

WELCOME ABOARD

U.S. COAST & GEODETIC SURVEY SHIP

OCEANOGRAPHER



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

A Message From The CAPTAIN

I would like to personally welcome you aboard the USC&GSS OCEANOGRAPHER, America's newest and most modern oceanographic vessel. It carries forward the name of an earlier Coast & Geodetic Survey vessel which had a distinguished career engaged in hydrographic surveys along the Atlantic and Gulf Coasts.

The ship you are about to visit is especially designed and equipped from the keel up for world-wide comprehensive deep

sea oceanographic surveys.

The Officers, Ship's Crew and I sincerely hope that you will have an informative and interesting visit aboard.

Arthur L. Wardwell
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Captain, USESSA
Commanding Officer

--BUILT BY--

Aerojet-General Shipyard Jacksonville, Florida April, 1966

THE SHIP

| LENGTH, overall 303'0" |
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| BEAM, molded 52'0" |
| DRAFT, full load 19'0" |
| DISPLACEMENT, full load 3805 L.T. |
| SPEED, service |
| ENDURANCE (provisions) 150 Days |
| RANGE (maximum) 16,000 n.mi. |
| ACCOMODATIONS (single & two berth). 113 |
| COMPLEMENT Officers & Scientist 24 |
| Scientific Technicians. 34 |
| Crew |
| PROPULSION Automated Diesel Electric with |
| 2500 SHP on each shaft. |
| LABORATORY SPACES |
| Oceanographic 3400 Sq.Ft. |
| Gravity |
| Photographic 165 Sq.Ft. |
| Meteorological 160 Sq.Ft. |
| ENVIRONMENT Air Conditioned |

SPECIAL FEATURES

- A. Three underwater observation chambers.
- B. Direct engine control from the bridge and aloft conning tower.
- C. Seven oceanographic winches with deep-sea capacity of 45,000 feet.
- D. Decca relative/true motion radar system and automatic plotter (ARP-50).
- E. Center Well extending vertically through the ship.
- F. An oceanographic, navigational, meteorological data acquisition system (DAS) and central engineroom control (CERC) which time share the Westinghouse PRODAC 510 System. The PRODAC 510 System consists of a UNIVAC 1218 computer and associated Input-Output componets.